



Central Presbyterian Church
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Sunday, November 22, 2015
CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY

GREET THOSE AROUND YOU IN THE NAME OF CHRIST

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

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ANNOUNCEMENTS AND RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

PRELUDE *My Soul Gives to My God* Douglas

CALL TO WORSHIP from Psalm 16

Laura: "Jesus said 'Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.'"

People: **"Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls."**

Laura: "He also said 'Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not let them be afraid.'"

People: **"We gather at our Lord's table, remembering that we who are many are one body, for we all partake of one bread."**

All: **"Let us praise and give thanks to God!"**

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN #265** *Jesus Shall Reign Wherever the Sun*

FILLING OF THE BAPTISMAL FONT

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

"God of mercy, we gather again to worship you and to join at your table, but too often we miss the point. Too often we say prayers that come from our mouths, not our hearts. Too often we take these elements without connecting them to the sacrifice you made. Nourish our spirits with this bread and from this cup, so we may see you in a new ways and serve you with new energy. Do not hold our sins against us, and in your tender love, forgive us." (Silent Prayer) "In Jesus' name we pray, Amen."

KYRIE ELEISON ("Lord, Have Mercy")

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Laura: "Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone, a new life has begun. I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven."

People: **"Thanks be to God. Amen!"**

***GLORIA PATRI** ("Glory be to the Father") *Hymnal #581*

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

ANTHEM *A Communion Invitation* Courtney

Rose VonTungeln, Soloist

TIME WITH OUR YOUNG ONES

Preschool-aged children may go to the nursery after the children's message. Children of kindergarten age and above may remain in worship.

MINUTE FOR MISSION

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING II Samuel 23:1 - 7

EPISTLE READING Revelation 1:4b - 8

GOSPEL READING John 18:33 - 37

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** The Scots Confession

***HYMN #521** *In Remembrance of Me*

David S. King

see insert

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

CHORAL OFFERTORY *Sanctus* Schubert

***DOXOLOGY** ("Praise God, from Whom all Blessings Flow") *Hymnal #607*

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION**

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS (You are each encouraged to name those whom you love and for whom you pray.)

COMMUNION See insert

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD’S PRAYER (We use the wording “debts and debtors.”)

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

***RECESSIONAL HYMN #307** *God of Grace and God of Glory*

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

POSTLUDE** *We Gather Together* Smith

EXTINGUISHING OF THE CANDLES

Go forth into the world rejoicing. Love and serve the Lord.

*** Those who are able, please stand.**

**** Please be seated and remain for the postlude if you can.**

Usher: Lynda Vick Lay Reader: Laura Pierce



Welcome to Central Presbyterian Church where we come together **to celebrate God’s love, nurture growth, share our faith and serve the needs of others.** This Congregation opens wide its doors and our hearts and offers welcome to all in the name of Jesus Christ.

Transitional Pastor David S. King	Secretary Erin Shaw
ChoirMaster/Organist Marty Shell	Nursery Attendant
Youth Sponsor Marty Shell	Website: www.centralprespb.com
The Session <u>Class of 2015</u> Marty Shell Betty Coles Amanda Chandler Laura Pierce (clerk)	<u>Class of 2016</u> Nelson Buchanan Bill Detmers Tommy Dunlap Jemmie Moseley
Standing Committee Moderators Betty Coles Amanda Chandler Nelson Buchanan Laura Pierce Amanda Chandler Tommy Dunlap Bill Detmers Jemmie Moseley Marty Shell	 Budget & Finance Building & Grounds Education Fellowship & Nurture Missions & Outreach Worship & Music

Pastor Nominating Committee
Kay Cromwell
Lawrence Fikes
Mike Kelley
Denise Mosley
Marty Shell (chair)

Announcements

The Session Has Called a Meeting of the Congregation this morning following morning worship. The purpose is to hear and act on the findings of the Session Nominating Committee.

The Church Office Will Be Closed November 26 and 27 in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.

We Will Decorate for Advent/Christmas Saturday, November 28, at 9 a.m. All volunteers are welcome.

All Are Invited to Join us on November 29, at 5 p.m., in McElyea Hall for the Moravian Love Feast. Folks are invited to bring sweet breads, soup, and sandwiches to share. We will gather as members of the family of God, and together we will seek God’s blessing for our community and for our world.

Neighbor to Neighbor's Holiday Projects Are Underway! Central has been asked to provide 75 cans of **sweet potatoes** (not cranberry sauce) by Tuesday, December 1, for the Christmas baskets. Cans may be placed in the box behind the round table in McElyea Hall. We have also been asked to consider sponsoring 8 or more children for Christmas. A donation of \$60 per child will insure that a child will wake up Christmas morning with toys and gifts under their tree. Any and all contributions are appreciated. For more information contact Neighbor to Neighbor at (870) 534-2883.

Invitation

Come to the Lord's Table,
all you who love him.
Come to the Lord's Table,
all you who are seeking forgiveness.
Come to the Lord's Table,
all you who are seeking peace.

Litany of Preparation

We have not believed or trusted enough in God's power.
Lord, help our unbelief.

We have fallen down in our faithfulness by things we have
done and have not done.
Cleanse us, O Lord.

We are broken by self-centeredness, injured by the sins of
others, weakened and unable to turn ourselves around.
Heal us, Lord.

We put the values of the world ahead of the grace of God,
and we are unable to hear the cries of the poor, the sick, the
needy, and the earth.
Center us, Lord.

At this table we find messages of hope and forgiveness and
renewal. When we confess our sins, God abundantly
pardons. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.
**In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be
to God!**

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you always!
And also with you.

Thanksgiving and Communion

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to you, Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to praise you, Lord.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing,
Always and everywhere to give thanks our God.
**From the rising of the sun to its setting
God's name is praised among all peoples.**

Therefore we praise you,
joining our voices with your people on earth
and all the company of heaven
who for ever sing this hymn to the glory of your name:

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord,
God of power and might
Heaven and earth are full...
Full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest!
Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed is the One who comes
In the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest!
Hosanna in the highest!
Amen!**

We offer ourselves to God in praise and thanksgiving
as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering
for us, as we proclaim the mystery of our faith:

**Christ has come among us. Christ has died.
Christ has risen. Christ abides with us.
Christ will come again.**

Breaking the Bread

Giving the Bread and Cup

Giving Thanks

**Lord, you have set us, your servants, free
to go in peace as you have promised.
We have seen the Savior whom you have prepared the
world to see!**

**Blessing and honor and glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

Sending Forth

You have seen the Savior. Go in peace.
And the blessing of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
One in Three and Three in One, goes with you.

Amen.